

# Unintentional Drug- and Alcohol-Related Intoxication Deaths\* in Maryland

Data update through 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2018

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This report contains counts of unintentional drug- and alcohol-related intoxication deaths\* occurring in Maryland through the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2018, the most recent period for which preliminary data are available. Counts are also shown for the same period of 2007-2017 to allow for review of trends over time. Counts for 2018 are not complete and are subject to change.

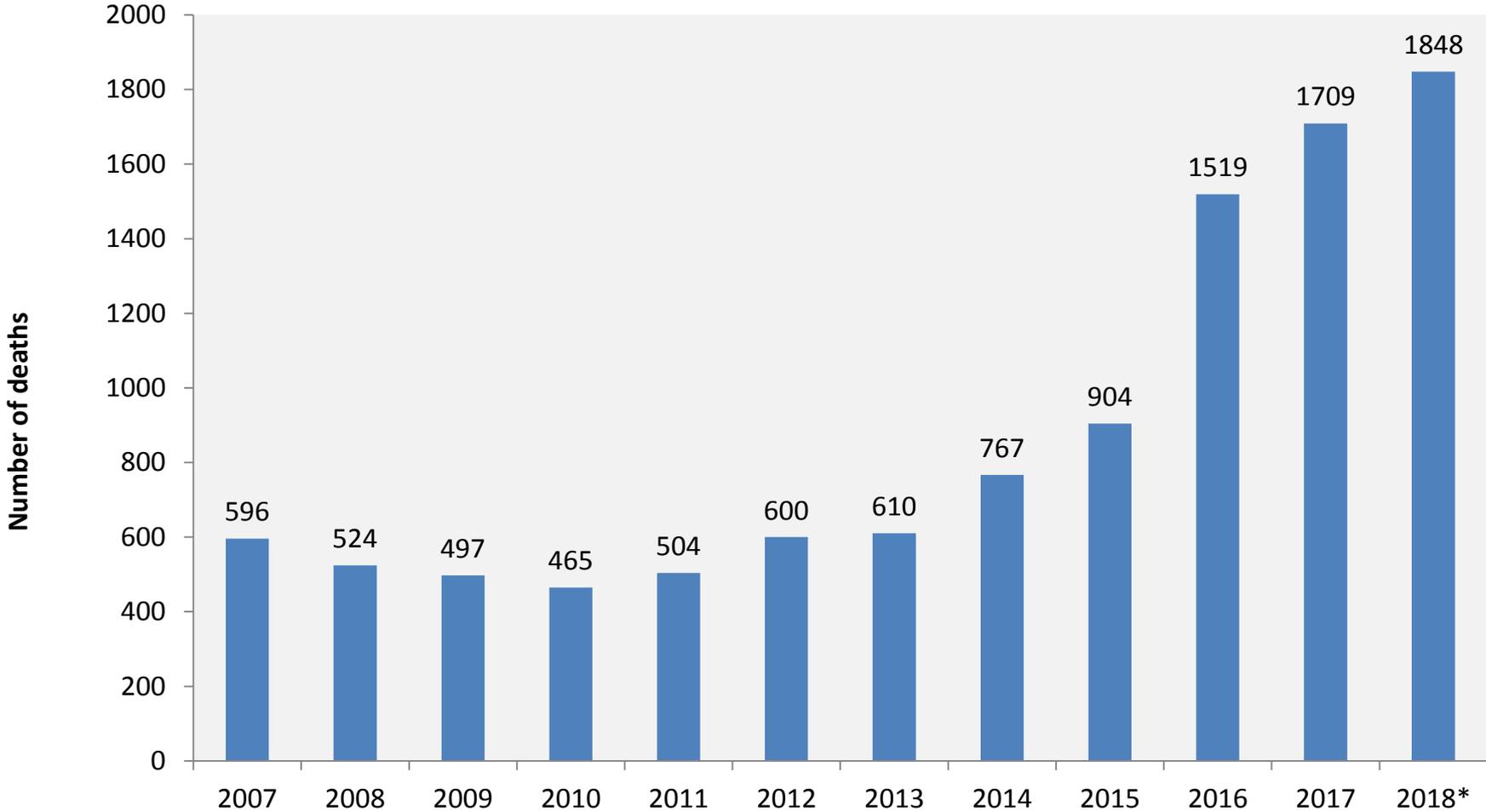
Since an intoxication death may involve more than one substance, counts of deaths related to specific substances do not sum to the total number of deaths.

\*Deaths resulting from recent ingestion or exposure to alcohol or other types of drugs, including heroin, prescription opioids, prescribed and illicit forms of fentanyl (including carfentanyl), cocaine, benzodiazepines, phencyclidine (PCP), methamphetamines and other prescribed and unprescribed drugs. Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.



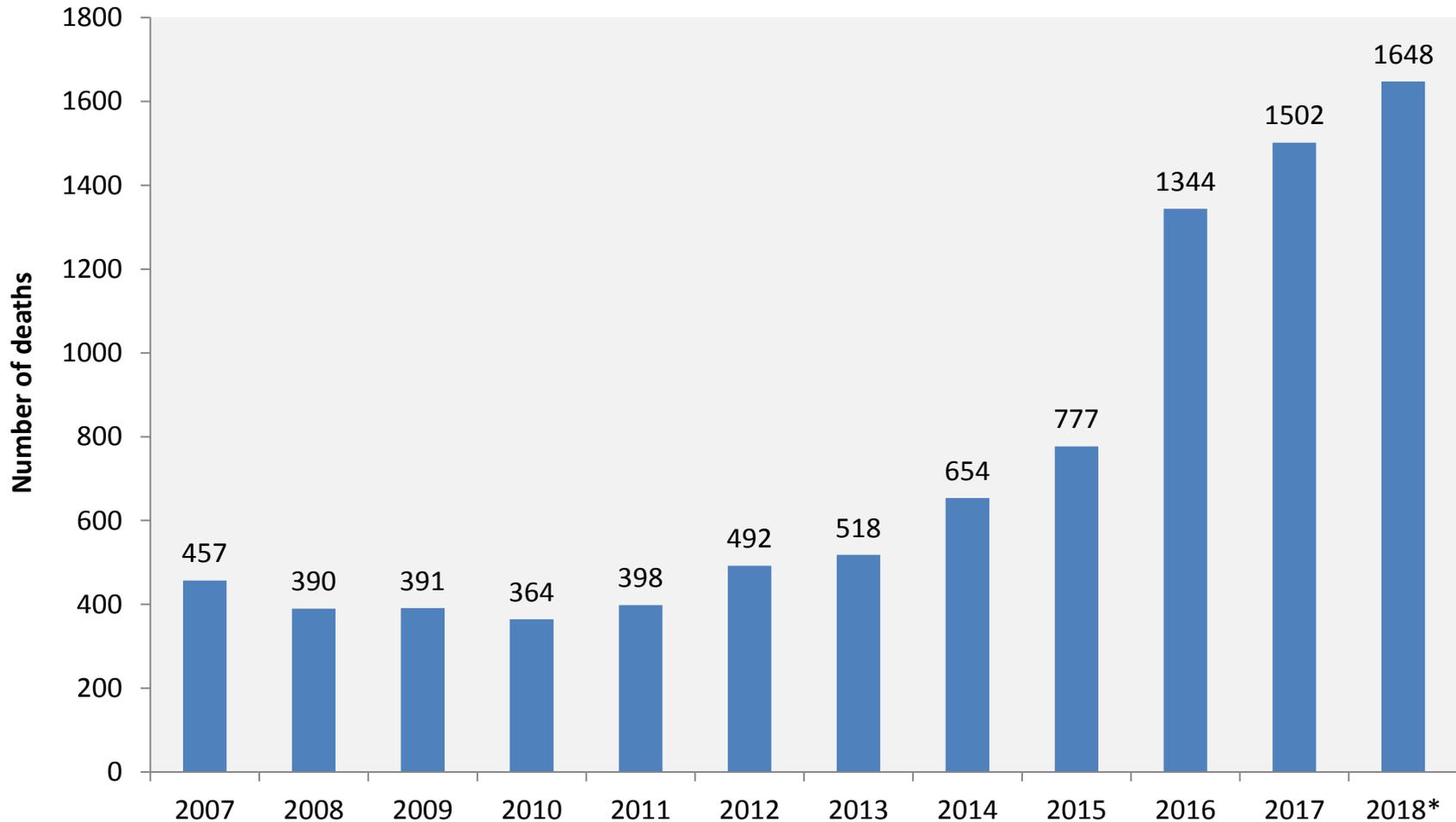
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**Figure 1. Total Number of Unintentional Intoxication Deaths Occurring in Maryland from January-September of Each Year.\***



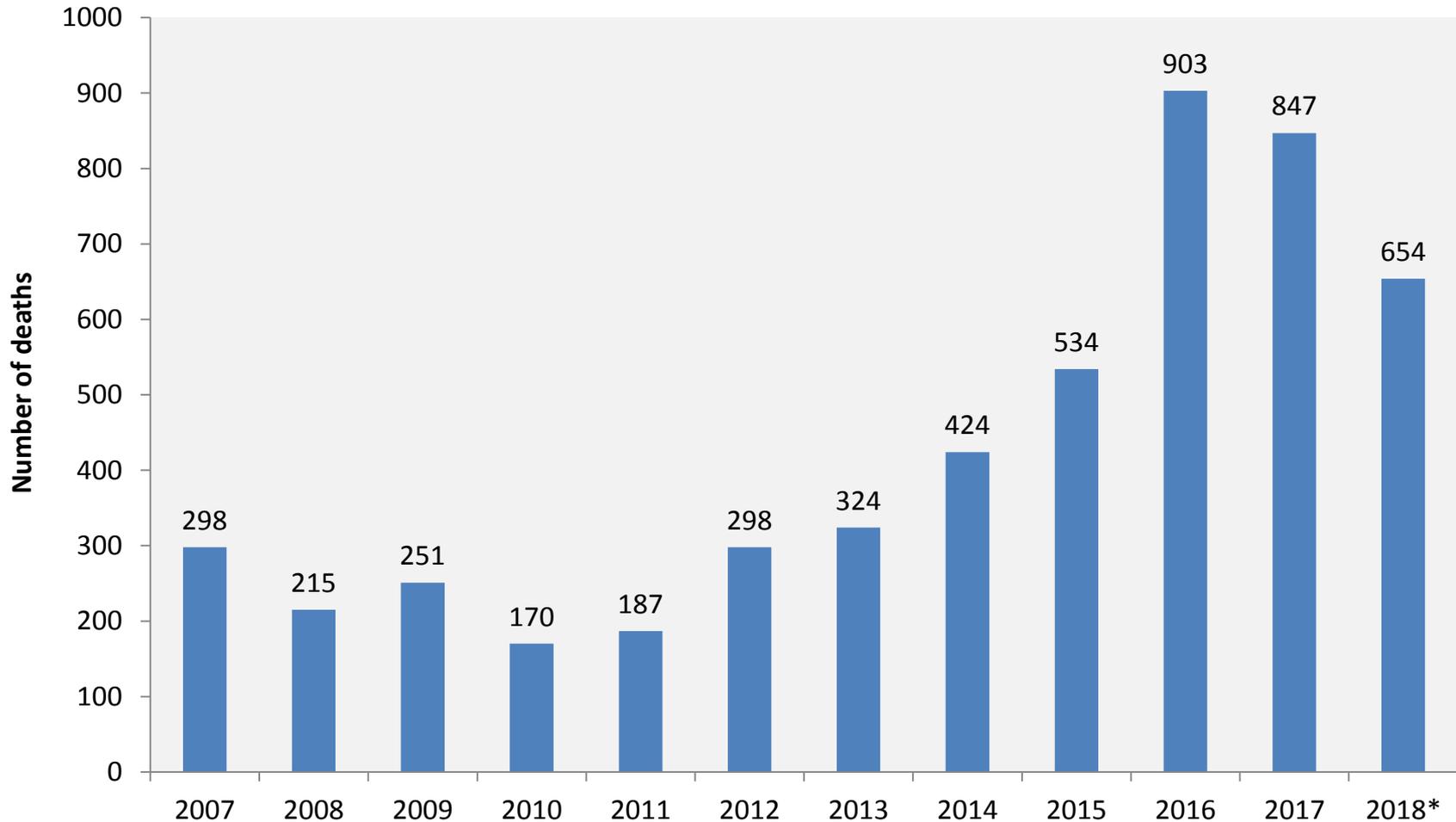
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**Figure 2. Number of Opioid-Related Deaths Occurring in Maryland from January through September of Each Year.\***



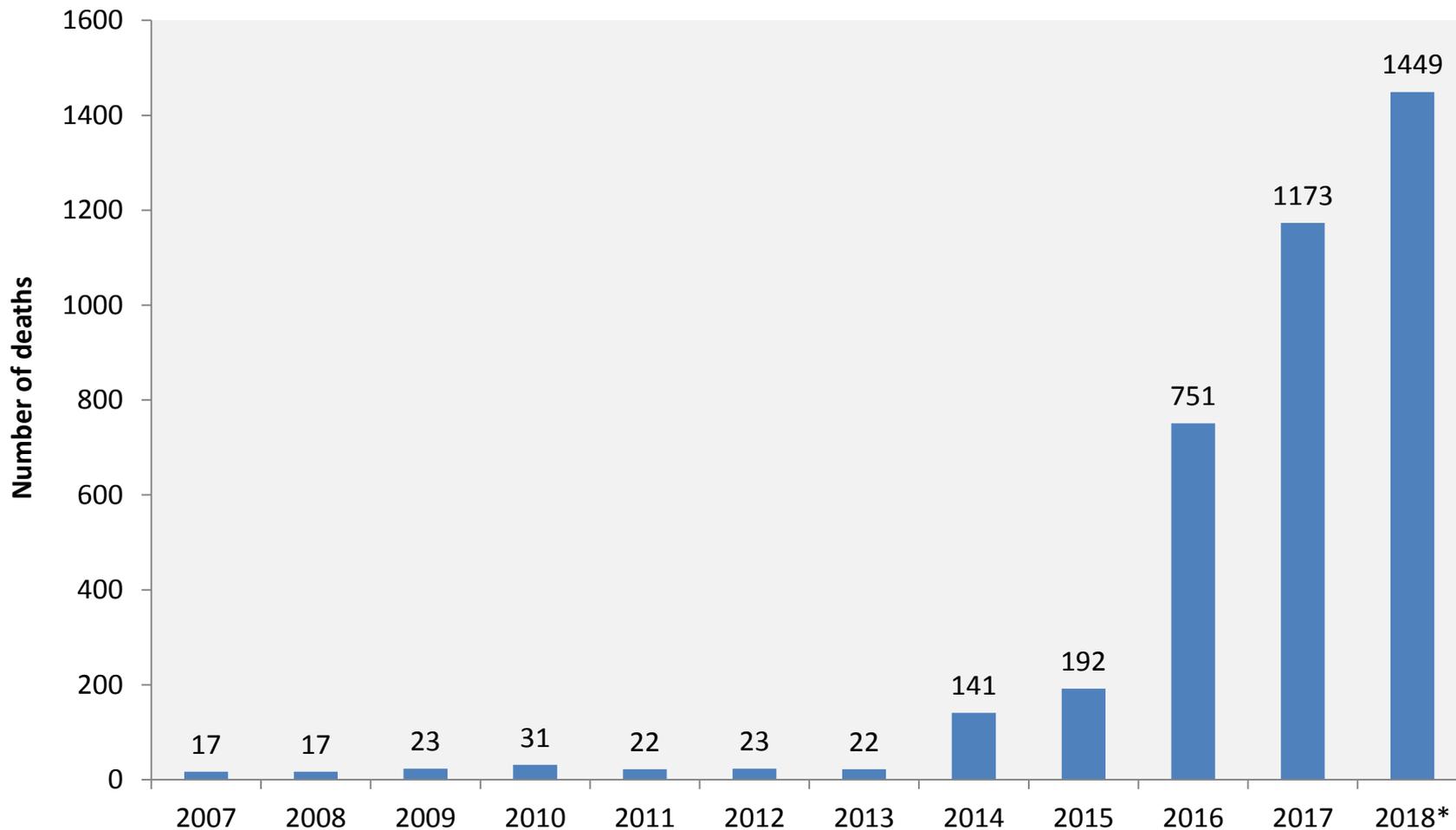
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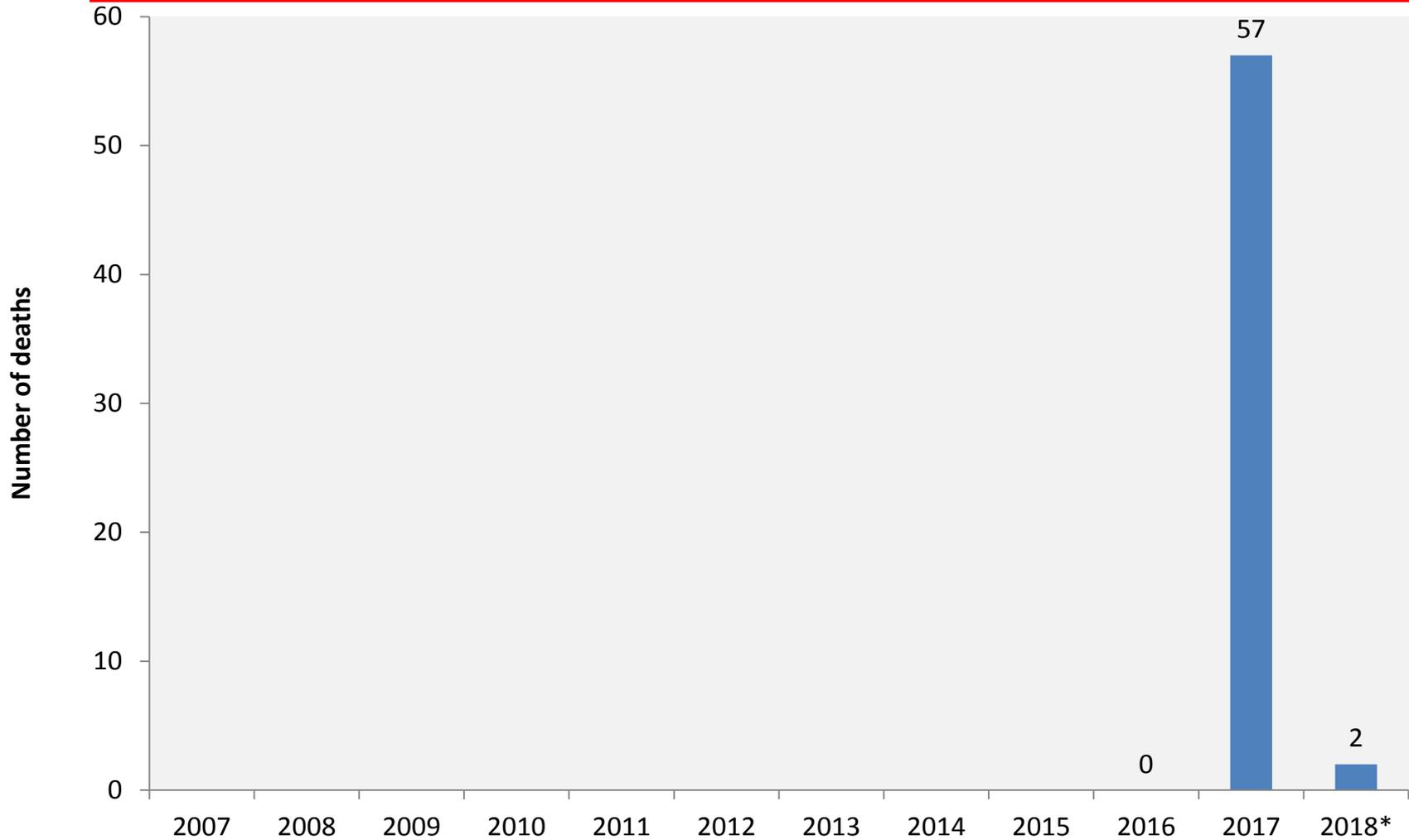
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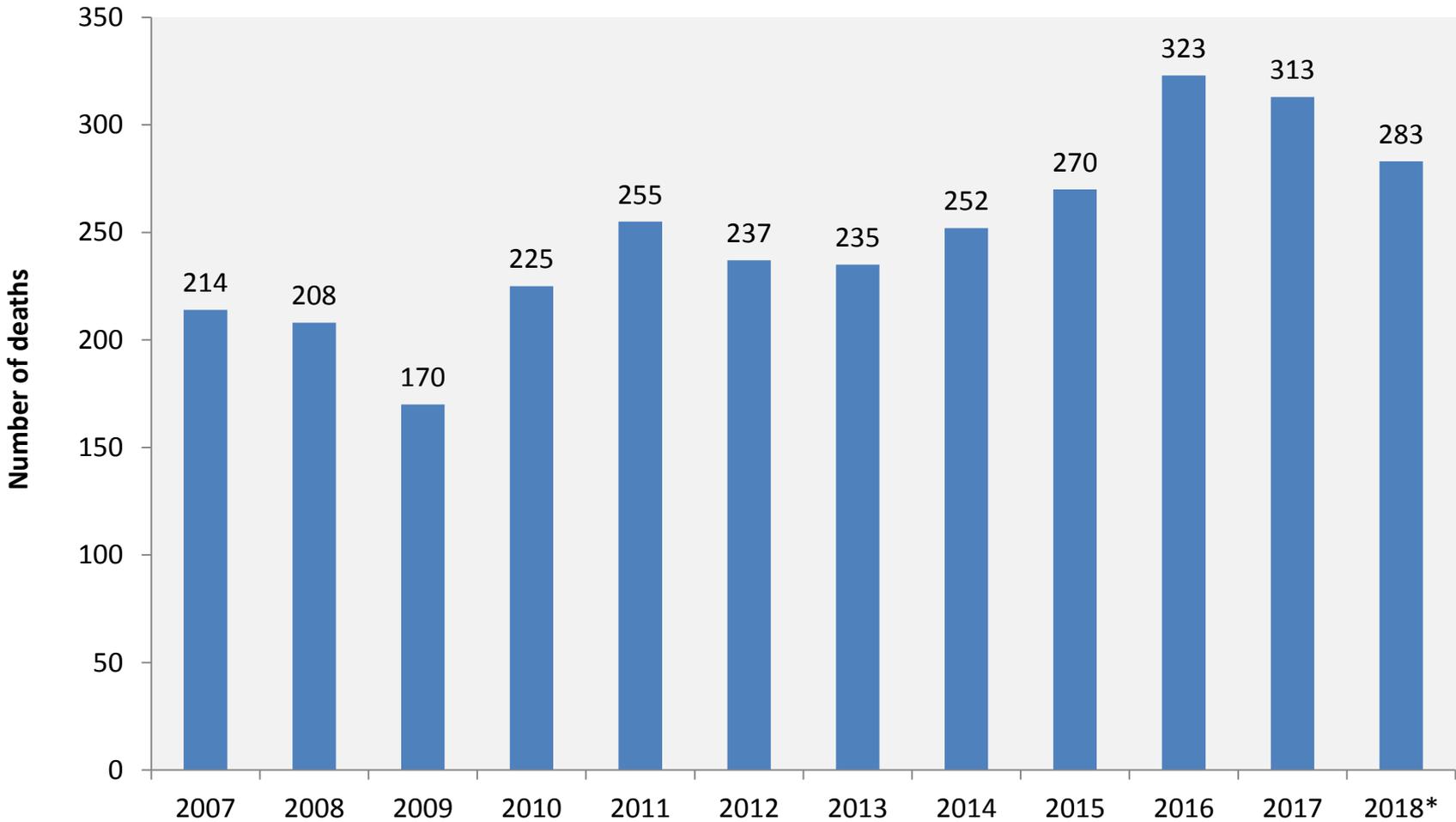
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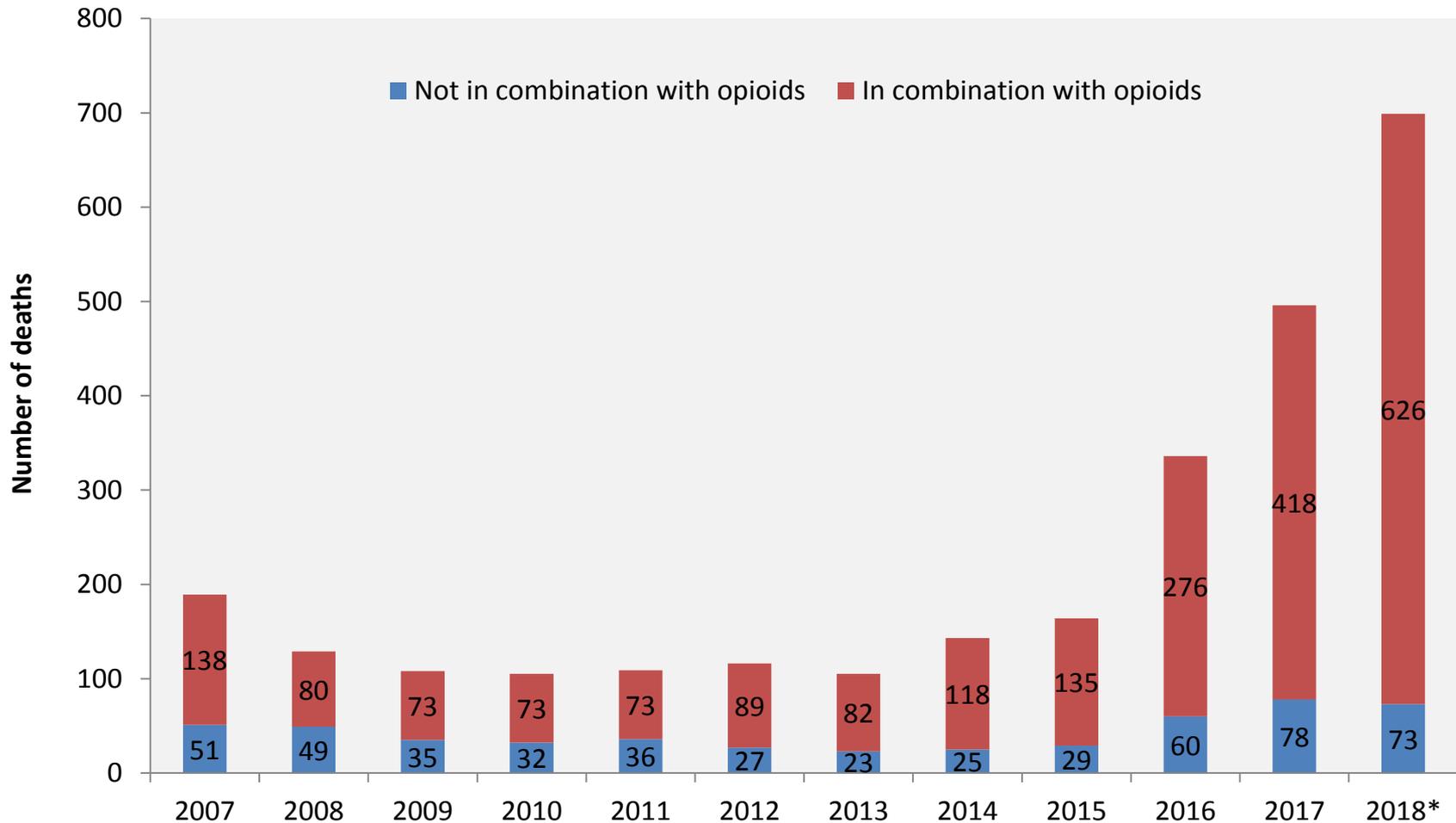
\*\* Screening for Carfentanil began in 2016, first detected in 2017

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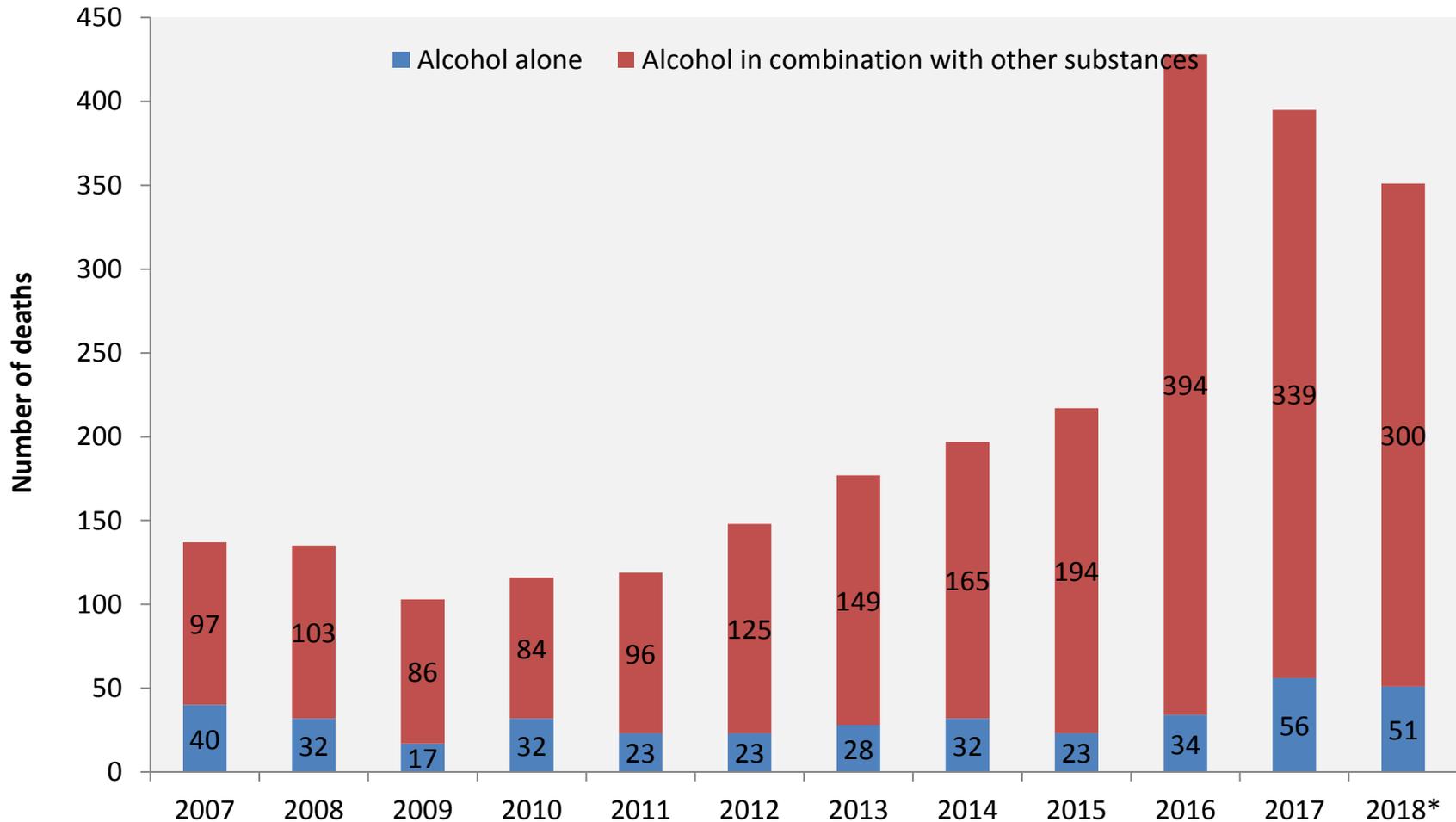
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**Figure 7. Number of Cocaine-Related Deaths Occurring in Maryland from January through September of Each Year.\***



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**Figure 8. Number of Alcohol-Related Deaths Occurring in Maryland from January through September of Each Year.\***



\*2018 counts are preliminary.

**Table 1. Comparison of Total Drug and Alcohol-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, January -- September, 2018<sup>3</sup> and 2017.**

Jurisdiction	Drug & Alcohol Intoxication Deaths		2018 vs 2017
	Jan. - Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	# DIFFERENCE
Maryland Total	1848	1709	139
Allegany	34	31	3
Anne Arundel	194	157	37
Baltimore City	664	575	89
Baltimore County	296	272	24
Calvert	19	19	0
Caroline	5	9	-4
Carroll	59	43	16
Cecil	45	44	1
Charles	18	27	-9
Dorchester	6	9	-3
Frederick	66	55	11
Garrett	3	7	-4
Harford	80	76	4
Howard	31	39	-8
Kent	1	5	-4
Montgomery	74	76	-2
Prince George's	90	128	-38
Queen Anne's	13	7	6
Somerset	7	4	3
St. Mary's	25	29	-4
Talbot	6	10	-4
Washington	68	41	27
Wicomico	30	30	0
Worcester	14	16	-2

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to alcohol or another type of drug, including heroin, cocaine, prescription opioids, benzodiazepines, and other prescribed and unprescribed drugs.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

**Table 2. Comparison of Opioid-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, January – September, 2018<sup>3</sup> and 2017.**

Jurisdiction	Opioid-Related Intoxication Deaths		2018 vs 2017
	Jan. - Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	# DIFFERENCE
Maryland Total	1648	1502	146
Allegany	29	29	0
Anne Arundel	178	145	33
Baltimore City	607	524	83
Baltimore County	267	239	28
Calvert	16	15	1
Caroline	5	7	-2
Carroll	56	39	17
Cecil	44	43	1
Charles	13	24	-11
Dorchester	5	8	-3
Frederick	59	46	13
Garrett	3	3	0
Harford	73	72	1
Howard	27	35	-8
Kent	1	4	-3
Montgomery	57	61	-4
Prince George's	66	93	-27
Queen Anne's	12	5	7
Somerset	7	3	4
St. Mary's	22	28	-6
Talbot	6	8	-2
Washington	62	36	26
Wicomico	24	23	1
Worcester	9	12	-3

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to prescription and illicit opioids.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

**Table 3. Comparison of Heroin-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, January – September, 2018<sup>3</sup> and 2017.**

Jurisdiction	Heroin Intoxication Deaths		2018 vs 2017
	Jan. - Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	# DIFFERENCE
Maryland Total	654	847	-193
Allegany	12	10	2
Anne Arundel	64	91	-27
Baltimore City	212	306	-94
Baltimore County	97	137	-40
Calvert	7	10	-3
Caroline	2	4	-2
Carroll	29	21	8
Cecil	33	30	3
Charles	8	13	-5
Dorchester	3	3	0
Frederick	20	27	-7
Garrett	1	1	0
Harford	34	41	-7
Howard	12	15	-3
Kent	0	1	-1
Montgomery	29	39	-10
Prince George's	29	40	-11
Queen Anne's	5	4	1
Somerset	4	2	2
St. Mary's	11	10	1
Talbot	3	3	0
Washington	23	15	8
Wicomico	11	16	-5
Worcester	5	8	-3

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to heroin.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

**Table 4. Comparison of Fentanyl-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, January – September, 2018<sup>3</sup> and 2017.**

Jurisdiction	Fentanyl Intoxication Deaths		2018 vs 2017
	Jan. - Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	# DIFFERENCE
Maryland Total	1449	1173	276
Allegany	25	22	3
Anne Arundel	149	108	41
Baltimore City	566	428	138
Baltimore County	235	185	50
Calvert	14	11	3
Caroline	4	6	-2
Carroll	44	30	14
Cecil	38	32	6
Charles	10	17	-7
Dorchester	3	5	-2
Frederick	56	33	23
Garrett	2	1	1
Harford	61	55	6
Howard	25	25	0
Kent	1	3	-2
Montgomery	37	47	-10
Prince George's	55	77	-22
Queen Anne's	12	4	8
Somerset	7	3	4
St. Mary's	19	23	-4
Talbot	6	3	3
Washington	52	27	25
Wicomico	19	19	0
Worcester	9	9	0

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to fentanyl (including carfentanil, a form of fentanyl)

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

Table 5. Total Number of Drug and Alcohol-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, 2007-2017 and YTD 2018 Through September.<sup>3</sup>

Jurisdiction	Drug & Alcohol Intoxication Deaths											
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Maryland Total	815	694	731	649	671	799	858	1,041	1,259	2,089	2,282	1,848
Allegany	14	9	9	15	12	14	15	12	22	59	38	34
Anne Arundel	71	70	63	56	79	83	78	101	112	195	214	194
Baltimore City	287	184	239	172	167	225	246	305	393	694	761	664
Baltimore County	131	118	106	115	107	119	144	170	220	336	367	296
Calvert	14	9	14	6	12	12	6	17	20	28	32	19
Caroline	1	4	2	2	11	4	2	7	3	10	11	5
Carroll	14	17	22	15	8	29	24	38	40	47	55	59
Cecil	25	10	24	24	28	25	26	29	32	30	59	45
Charles	13	16	11	13	11	13	9	21	22	45	37	18
Dorchester	4	5	2	6	2	5	5	0	1	6	12	6
Frederick	23	15	23	20	30	26	37	42	40	88	78	66
Garrett	1	3	3	3	2	0	6	2	5	1	8	3
Harford	31	35	33	43	38	39	36	43	50	84	101	80
Howard	16	19	16	10	21	24	29	21	26	46	51	31
Kent	3	4	2	5	2	0	4	6	3	6	5	1
Montgomery	56	46	44	38	44	48	52	65	70	102	116	74
Prince George's	53	58	59	43	42	56	59	63	70	129	167	90
Queen Anne's	4	5	4	4	5	2	8	10	4	8	8	13
Somerset	6	3	4	1	3	3	4	3	6	8	4	7
St. Mary's	6	11	9	12	8	12	10	9	17	15	34	25
Talbot	5	4	3	3	1	5	7	4	5	10	11	6
Washington	16	26	18	20	21	27	28	40	64	66	59	68
Wicomico	9	13	12	13	11	21	17	20	18	48	35	30
Worcester	12	10	9	10	6	7	6	13	16	28	19	14

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to alcohol or another type of drug, including heroin, cocaine, prescription opioids, benzodiazepines, and other prescribed and unprescribed drugs.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

**Table 6. Number of Opioid-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, 2007-2017 and YTD 2018 Through September.<sup>3</sup>**

Jurisdiction	Opioid Intoxication Deaths											
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Maryland Total	628	523	570	504	529	648	729	888	1,089	1,856	2,009	1,648
Allegany	12	7	6	11	8	10	11	11	20	55	36	29
Anne Arundel	54	57	45	44	53	68	67	85	89	169	198	178
Baltimore City	256	154	199	139	142	189	212	275	354	628	692	607
Baltimore County	95	92	83	95	93	104	125	146	195	305	323	267
Calvert	12	6	11	4	10	11	5	16	19	25	27	16
Caroline	0	2	1	2	8	4	2	7	3	9	8	5
Carroll	12	15	16	12	7	27	21	29	34	44	51	56
Cecil	23	9	21	21	24	22	22	25	26	28	57	44
Charles	8	9	10	9	10	12	9	16	17	36	34	13
Dorchester	2	3	1	6	2	5	5	0	1	5	10	5
Frederick	12	7	18	12	28	23	33	34	37	80	66	59
Garrett	0	2	3	1	1	0	4	2	4	0	4	3
Harford	24	31	28	38	28	32	34	38	45	76	93	73
Howard	14	13	11	9	18	17	26	18	25	40	47	27
Kent	2	4	2	3	1	0	4	3	3	4	4	1
Montgomery	35	29	31	25	28	36	40	53	59	84	91	57
Prince George's	27	33	38	27	24	30	38	48	45	106	124	66
Queen Anne's	4	2	3	4	4	2	7	9	4	6	6	12
Somerset	5	3	2	1	3	2	4	2	4	6	3	7
St. Mary's	3	9	7	10	6	9	10	8	12	13	33	22
Talbot	3	3	2	2	1	3	6	4	5	10	8	6
Washington	11	21	14	13	16	20	26	34	57	63	51	62
Wicomico	6	7	10	10	10	17	14	15	17	44	28	24
Worcester	8	5	8	6	4	5	4	10	14	20	15	9

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to prescription and illicit opioids.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

Table 7. Number of Heroin-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, 2007-2017 and YTD 2018 Through September.<sup>3</sup>

Jurisdiction	Heroin Intoxication Deaths											
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Maryland Total	399	289	360	238	247	392	464	578	748	1,212	1,078	654
Allegany	3	4	2	3	3	6	3	5	13	34	14	12
Anne Arundel	38	24	31	18	24	38	41	53	60	105	118	64
Baltimore City	200	107	151	93	76	131	150	192	260	454	380	212
Baltimore County	56	51	53	42	38	64	76	86	134	208	170	97
Calvert	5	3	7	1	5	6	2	13	15	17	17	7
Caroline	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	6	2	6	4	2
Carroll	9	5	7	3	2	13	14	16	22	25	28	29
Cecil	8	4	12	4	8	11	11	15	16	19	37	33
Charles	2	5	3	6	6	5	5	10	8	22	16	8
Dorchester	1	2	0	2	1	3	3	0	1	3	4	3
Frederick	8	4	9	6	11	10	21	26	26	46	35	20
Garrett	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	3	0	1	1
Harford	12	8	15	12	15	14	22	23	27	42	53	34
Howard	8	8	7	3	10	12	16	9	16	24	23	12
Kent	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	0
Montgomery	17	14	16	12	11	22	28	33	37	48	52	29
Prince George's	20	24	26	14	12	20	25	32	32	67	52	29
Queen Anne's	0	1	3	2	2	2	5	7	1	4	5	5
Somerset	2	1	1	0	1	2	1	1	3	3	2	4
St. Mary's	1	3	0	4	4	7	6	5	6	9	12	11
Talbot	1	2	0	0	1	2	2	4	3	4	3	3
Washington	5	13	11	6	8	11	14	21	38	39	22	23
Wicomico	1	3	3	5	3	9	11	12	13	21	20	11
Worcester	1	2	2	2	1	1	4	6	11	11	9	5

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to heroin.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

Table 8. Number of Fentanyl-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, 2007-2017 and YTD 2018 Through September.<sup>3</sup>

Jurisdiction	Fentanyl Intoxication Deaths											
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Maryland Total	26	25	27	39	26	29	58	186	340	1,119	1,594	1,449
Allegany	3	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	5	29	29	25
Anne Arundel	3	5	3	5	2	3	6	23	29	98	152	149
Baltimore City	3	2	4	4	2	4	12	72	120	419	573	566
Baltimore County	6	9	9	6	4	5	11	36	65	182	244	235
Calvert	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	5	2	11	22	14
Caroline	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	1	3	7	4
Carroll	0	2	0	2	0	1	2	4	11	20	40	44
Cecil	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	7	9	44	38
Charles	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	1	4	17	26	10
Dorchester	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	3	7	3
Frederick	0	0	0	2	3	1	2	6	11	49	49	56
Garrett	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	2
Harford	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	2	16	46	73	61
Howard	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	5	7	27	36	25
Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	3	1
Montgomery	2	0	1	1	0	2	0	8	17	43	72	37
Prince George's	1	0	2	2	0	1	6	7	15	58	103	55
Queen Anne's	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	4	5	12
Somerset	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	6	3	7
St. Mary's	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	3	3	4	26	19
Talbot	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	2	7	3	6
Washington	0	0	0	2	1	1	4	1	14	31	39	52
Wicomico	1	1	3	1	1	4	1	7	1	34	24	19
Worcester	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	6	16	12	9

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to prescription or illicit fentanyl.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

**Table 9. Number of Prescription Opioid-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, 2007-2017 and YTD 2018 Through September.<sup>3</sup>**

Jurisdiction	Prescription Opioid Intoxication Deaths											
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Maryland Total	302	280	251	311	342	311	316	330	351	418	413	283
Allegany	9	5	6	8	5	5	8	6	6	15	9	5
Anne Arundel	22	36	20	31	33	33	28	32	27	48	43	31
Baltimore City	95	60	63	61	82	74	86	84	105	113	123	89
Baltimore County	48	51	37	60	68	47	54	59	62	67	87	52
Calvert	8	3	4	3	7	6	3	7	6	11	5	6
Caroline	0	2	1	2	5	1	0	1	0	4	1	1
Carroll	4	11	10	9	5	17	12	15	14	15	13	15
Cecil	19	6	10	20	20	18	12	12	10	8	8	5
Charles	6	6	7	4	5	7	5	9	8	10	11	6
Dorchester	2	1	1	4	1	3	3	0	0	2	2	1
Frederick	6	4	9	6	21	16	14	9	12	18	17	7
Garrett	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	2	1	0	1	1
Harford	15	25	14	30	15	20	14	20	16	16	19	16
Howard	6	6	4	6	9	5	13	7	9	6	13	2
Kent	2	3	2	3	1	0	4	2	2	0	2	0
Montgomery	20	17	19	14	20	18	16	19	23	26	19	13
Prince George's	8	12	13	17	15	11	14	16	13	16	14	4
Queen Anne's	4	1	1	2	2	0	3	3	3	2	2	1
Somerset	4	3	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	0	1	1
St. Mary's	3	7	7	9	3	5	4	3	5	4	10	6
Talbot	2	1	2	2	0	1	4	0	2	3	4	1
Washington	7	10	4	7	11	9	11	16	20	23	8	14
Wicomico	5	4	8	7	7	9	4	3	5	7	0	4
Worcester	7	4	6	4	3	4	0	4	1	4	1	2

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to prescription opioids.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

Table 10. Number of Cocaine-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, 2007-2017 and YTD 2018 Through September.<sup>3</sup>

Jurisdiction	Cocaine Intoxication Deaths											
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Maryland Total	248	157	162	135	148	153	154	198	221	464	691	699
Allegany	2	1	1	1	0	2	2	2	5	9	13	10
Anne Arundel	26	18	15	13	18	13	12	19	19	31	66	72
Baltimore City	106	57	72	45	48	59	47	82	93	202	285	300
Baltimore County	30	25	25	23	19	17	27	28	38	80	123	110
Calvert	1	2	1	3	2	3	0	2	0	2	3	3
Caroline	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	5	2	1
Carroll	2	2	3	6	3	7	7	2	6	8	14	19
Cecil	5	3	4	3	7	2	5	4	3	3	15	12
Charles	3	3	2	2	1	1	0	0	2	4	10	10
Dorchester	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	7	2
Frederick	4	2	3	3	7	2	5	8	4	9	19	21
Garrett	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Harford	8	5	5	5	4	5	4	4	5	20	18	28
Howard	6	1	4	1	5	7	5	3	6	7	16	15
Kent	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
Montgomery	20	12	7	4	12	12	13	10	5	11	17	14
Prince George's	15	14	11	12	12	10	12	19	11	33	45	23
Queen Anne's	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	4
Somerset	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	6
St. Mary's	1	1	1	2	0	2	1	1	4	2	6	11
Talbot	4	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	1	2	2	1
Washington	3	1	0	3	3	5	6	6	10	9	10	21
Wicomico	2	5	2	3	3	4	3	4	7	13	7	13
Worcester	4	2	1	2	1	0	1	2	0	8	7	3

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to cocaine.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.

Table 11. Number of Alcohol-Related Intoxication Deaths<sup>1,2</sup> by Place of Occurrence, Maryland, 2007-2017 and YTD 2018 Through September.<sup>3</sup>

Jurisdiction	Alcohol Intoxication Deaths											
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 YTD
Maryland Total	189	176	163	161	161	195	239	270	310	582	517	351
Allegany	5	0	3	4	2	4	2	3	6	14	4	6
Anne Arundel	12	12	9	10	21	15	22	18	27	56	37	32
Baltimore City	56	41	54	39	44	71	86	86	114	222	198	136
Baltimore County	38	23	22	29	22	24	32	39	52	81	71	57
Calvert	3	3	4	0	2	2	1	4	3	7	4	9
Caroline	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	5	4	1
Carroll	3	4	5	4	4	4	4	9	6	12	9	7
Cecil	5	4	7	6	3	6	9	5	8	8	12	9
Charles	5	5	1	4	3	2	4	5	4	12	9	1
Dorchester	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	1
Frederick	5	7	8	5	9	5	11	12	13	15	11	9
Garrett	1	2	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	1	2	1
Harford	3	9	5	9	4	6	4	8	11	18	12	11
Howard	2	7	5	3	4	6	6	6	5	14	7	4
Kent	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
Montgomery	17	15	9	10	16	15	13	18	15	22	35	14
Prince George's	21	19	14	17	12	23	22	18	17	45	51	21
Queen Anne's	1	2	0	1	3	0	1	7	0	2	4	2
Somerset	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	2	3	1	0
St. Mary's	2	1	3	2	2	3	2	3	4	3	11	5
Talbot	0	3	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	5	2
Washington	3	10	4	5	4	3	6	11	10	17	14	11
Wicomico	1	6	3	4	2	2	6	7	3	12	9	8
Worcester	3	3	4	6	1	0	1	5	8	11	4	4

<sup>1</sup>Includes deaths that were the result of recent ingestion or exposure to alcohol.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only deaths for which the manner of death was classified as accidental or undetermined.

<sup>3</sup>Counts for 2018 are not complete.